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GW has the dubious distinction of being Princeton Review's No. 2 party school in the United States in the just released Student Advantage Guide to the Best 310 Colleges.

Local limelight shone on the University with the "party school" news, as local TV stations came to campus to cover GW's spot in the rankings.

Following fast on the University's first foray into U.S. News and World Report's top 50 schools in the country, this newest ranking makes it "clear we know how to work and to play," GW Joel President Stephen Trachtenberg said.

Students were surveyed across the country, with responses to alcohol and drug consumption, hours of daily study and the popularity of the Greek-letter system figuring in to the top party school tabulation.



Jay Crystal/GW Hatchet

Kathy Foster-Johnson of WJLA Channel 7 dropped by campus Friday to talk to students after GW was ranked the No. 2 party school.

"More than 56,000 students at the 310 colleges included in this guide participated in the survey. Except at some extremely small schools (undergraduate enrollment below 1,000), we heard from at least 100 students on every one of the campuses between these covers, the opening pages of the guide

Surveys asked 72 questions on topics ranging from food to teaching

to socializing. "It sounds like this is some very skewed information," Association President Damian McKenna said. At first the distinction bothered him, McKenna said, but then he realized that prospective students can see that "we're going up in the (academic) rankings

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and having fun, too."

SA drops annual phone directory

BY JENNIFER LEMEGA HATCHET REPORTER

The Student Association's annual phone directory will not be printed this year, leaving students who once used it to find numbers of classmates and friends in search of other resources.

"It didn't work as a cooperative effort between SA and the administration," said David Eldred, SA vice president for public affairs "Because of the way it worked last year, we decided not to do it this year.'

The SA coordinated efforts with the Office of Residential Life and other University departments. "Since it wasn't their project, it wasn't given the attention deserved," Eldred said.

"The book had misinformation and inaccurate numbers," Eldred said. "The phone numbers printed for the (Belorussian) basketball players were their home phone numbers in (Belarus)." The SA also had to deal with an "unprofessional" publisher, according to Eldred.

Marie Condron, now a GW graduate, was the SA vice president for public affairs last year. "She handled it all last year," Eldred said, "and under

her recommendation we decided not to continue the project this year."

"Rather vulgar complaints from students was another reason," Eldred

"It's inconvenient," said freshman Tara Warren about not having the phone listing this year. "The directory would be helpful."
Freshman Carmela DiMegli said, "I feel the book would be essential

students live all over campus, some off campus and in fraternity houses.' "If it is something that the students want and demand, then we would

try to do it only if it is done with the administration giving it the full attention it deserves," Eldred said.

Not everyone will worry about not having the publication, however. "I didn't use it last year," sophomore Tamara Bullock said. "I won't miss

"I didn't even know we had one," sophomore Jillian Tattersall said.

GW Hospital morale reaches critical condition Uncertainty of future worries staff as some seek new jobs or see serious decline in patient care

BY JIM GERAGHTY HATCHET STAFF WRITER

These are anxious days for the GW Hospital.

A cloud of apprehension hangs over the staff, doctors, medical students and faculty as the University awaits word of an expected merger of the hospital with a private cor-

For the past year, the GW Medical Center and the hospital have taken sometimes painful steps to make the hospital more attractive to a buyer. This summer, the hospital fired 150 regular employees and eliminated another 150 vacant or temporary positions. As much as \$25 million has been eliminated from the \$200 million budget during the last two years.

Past cuts and the uncertain future have taken a severe toll on morale at the hospital. Unfortunately, a series of informational meetings held at the hospital last week with Peter Synowicz, the hospital's interim chief operating officer, has produced more the possibility of more layoffs, more attractive to a buyer. Some employees claim that the hospital

questions than answers.

Synowicz has his hands tied in terms of answering questions, since nothing has officially been decided and the potential partners have asked GW to keep their identities confidential. However, the following is clear:

• Two active bidders are vying for partnership with the hospital, and two active bidders are vying for partnership in the GW Health

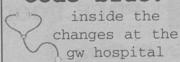
• The range of possibilities for the future of the hospital include maintaining the hospital as a "tertiary care teaching facility" (major surgeries, and procedures, such as bone marrow and organ transplants) to a "high class ambulatory care center," which would include less high-technology research and complicated surgeries and more emergency work with less follow-

• GW is negotiating continually, and a decision is expected in the next few weeks.

although Synowicz doubts that will occur again. "There is no planned layoff in the future. The targeted staff level is 1,375, and we are currently at 1,384 or 1,385," he said.

Another is loss of benefits for long-time workers. "(The buyer) is going to have to offer competitive benefits," Synowicz said. "I expect

code blue:



there will be competitive benefits and wages. My assumption is that they will recognize longevity ... there may be changes in what they want to do as well.

"I don't personally know of any-thing that's non-negotiable," he

Nevertheless, morale at the hospital has been hurt by the recent efforts to make the facility

is gaining a reputation as a facility that's broken. "It's just fallen apart The word that's out is that the hospital is closing," said one nurse who asked not to be identified. Employees cited ceiling leaks above the radiology department, water dripping into garbage cans and open tiles in the ceiling.

Synowicz said the hospital certainly is not going to close, but the upcoming merger is necessary to ensure that it does not reach that point. He also pointed out that the change would take place gradually.

After the announcement, the actual take-over would take at least 90 days for "due diligence and legal work." The soonest the changes could take place is Jan. 1, and the latest is the middle of next year. In addition, the District government has to approve any legal change in ownership of the hospi-

"We're not getting out of medical education"

The shift in power expected to

take place in the GW Hospital during the next few weeks will have no effect on the hospital's relationship with GW medical students or the medical school, University officials

Vice President and Treasurer Louis Katz said only a portion of the medical center's control will leave GW's hands.

"What is being discussed with various potential partners are the hospital and the health plan," Katz said. "The precise relationships between the entities and the ownership of the entities can change greatly, but the ownership of the medical school will always be a constant.'

Katz would not elaborate fully on the deal, saying the specifics will not be known until the selection is finalized. But with ownership of the hospital and its health plan gone, he said the University can focus on strengthening medical education.

Richard James, media relations

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Bring on a case of the Beast, 'cause we're only I

We all got the news last week: GW has finally broken into the top tier of schools reviewed by U.S. News & World Report. In reaction to this news, people around campus were doing a lot of congratulating, back-patting and maybe even a little butt-slapping, as everybody was feeling good about a job well done.

After years of frustrating exclusion from the elite Top 50 list, the quest for academic distinction is finally bearing fruit (so maybe now we can work on getting our acceptance rate lower than the current 60 percent). Rumor has it that after getting his copy of the ratings,

Stephen Joel Trachtenberg went storming campus, trying to get chants of "We're No. 46!" started among a mostly confused - not to mention frightened - student body, and apparently the stationery with the big "175" on it will be replaced with the now-famous "46."

But wait! The magic number of the week has now changed to two. TWO? Weren't we just talking about 46? Ah, yes, but that's nothing compared to the latest statistical news we've gotten here at ratings-prone GW. According to the 1997 edition of the Princeton Review's Student

Advantage Guide to the Best 310 Colleges, your school and mine, good ol' GW, is ranked as the second



wildest party school in the nation. And when I was told this little bit of information last Friday night, I couldn't help but laugh

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What could this No. 2 party school thing really be? A joke? A misprint? A vicious rumor, like the one we all heard freshman year that Playboy ranked Thurston Hall third in the nation among most sexually active dorms? I've heard and said a lot of things about GW, both good and bad, but that it was a party school was never really one of them. I can almost hear El Presidente weeping in the background.

So anyway, we here at Das Hatchet decided to go on a little fact-finding mission. The Princeton Review Web pages didn't say anything about GW, and they couldn't be reached by telephone for comment. So we finally broke down and bought the \$18 guide. And yes, right there on page 36, Florida State University is ranked first, GW second, the University of Florida third and UC-Santa Barbara fourth when it comes to party schools. Pretty lofty company.

Most of the rankings done by the Princeton Review are based on surveys done at the various universities. Therefore, GW's ranking in "Great college town" (11th), "Most politically active" (12th), "Dorms like palaces" (12th) and "Diverse student population" (18th) come not from some observation made by Princeton Review staffers, but from students right here on campus.

When it comes to the party school categorization, however, the methods get pretty shaky. According to the Princeton Review, their rankings are "based on a combination of survey questions concerning the use of alcohol and drugs, hours of study each day and the popularity of the Greek system." GW did not rank in the top 20 in beer, hard liquor or drug consumption, nor did we make the list of schools under "Major frat and sorority scene" or "Their students (almost) never study." So what numbers are they using up there to make us No. 2?

We had the 1995 Princeton Review guide lying around the office, and it turns out that not much has changed in the GW pages. Some guy was said the "majority of people here love to party, but they don't party together." And guess what! That very same quote is still in the review two years later.

Now don't get me wrong; I love to party as much as the next guy. But to tell the truth, I can't imagine that we out-party some cornfield school where the only stipulation for admission is the ability to do keg stands, and there is no life besides Greek life.

How can a school that is ranked 46th in U.S. News simultaneously be ranked second among party schools? I've never taken any classes outside of GW, so I can't really tell you what other schools' academics are like. I have, however, partied outside of GW, and can say with some conviction that even the schools that didn't make "The List" seem to have a pretty good time.

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On the other hand, this party school thing isn't necessarily all bad. With a little determination and perhaps the re-opening of Henry's, we should easily be able to take the top spot. Until then, the only thing that is really No. 1 is the GW Solar Car. And which do you really feel more represents the student population, a wide-mouth can of Milwaukee's Best or a slow-rolling, solar-paneled go-kart? Gimme the

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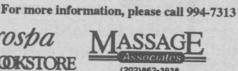


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With Presidential candidate H. Ross Perot's selection of political economist and GW professor Dr. Pat Choate as his running mate, Perot has shifted some of the national spotlight back to GW and, many analysts say, taken a bold step.

He has chosen to bring a highly intellectual and academically entrenched person into the world of pol-

Choate is a well-known economist in academia. He has written numerous books such as Agents of Influence, The High Flex Society and America in

economics department said he economics department said he believes Choate's academic back- economics exam to every Although some question his experience and look at Choate as the November presidential election. presidential and vice presi-more of an academic, he served in "If I gave an undergraduate economics exam to every presidential and dential vice presidential candidate, none would pass except for Choate."

Yezer said Choate surpasses all **Choate."** candidates when it comes to breadth of knowledge in an academic field.

However, he also said, "He can't preach economics. As a politician you must live by K.I.S.S. (Keep It Simple, Stupid). Choate knows a lot about economics. He is more of a scholar than any of the other candidates toward industrial policy. His ideas reflect the majority in most of his eco-

Choate first teamed up with Perot in 1992 when Choate tutored him in international trade. The relatively unknown Choate reached some national prominence during CNN's "Larry King Live" NAFTA debate between presidential hopeful Perot and Vice President

Graduate School of Political Management. His course was an in-depth analysis of NAFTA's role in the political economy.

Dennis Johnson, the associate dean of the GSPM, said of Choate, "It is good to have someone in the political arena to talk about the issues of the economy. He will present a very solid, forceful and intellectual side

"Dr. Choate was at the center of the important intellectual issues (as a GW professor)," Johnson said. "He was behind the scenes in the NAFTA debate. Dr. Choate was able to use his expertise of the issue in class. It was a very important issue being taught by the chief player in the debate."

Choate is a native of Texas Professor Anthony Yezer of GW's f I gave an undergraduate with a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Oklahoma.

policy jobs in the Nixon and Ford none administrations as well as state posts in Oklahoma and Tennessee.

Choate's résumé includes such jobs as top policy analyst for TRW Inc., one of the nation's lead--Anthony Yezer, ing high-technology defense coneconomic professor tractors, and as the director of a Washington-based policy institute.

Choate once said in a Washington Post article, "Policy! That's what my career is about."

Though Choate is well-respected within the D.C. area, Yezer said, "There is not much evidence that what is said by competent economists has a lasting effect on the American public. A perfect example of this is the Council of Economic Advisors.'

In the Perot-bought infomercial on Sept. 10, Choate said, "I know Washington and I know that it cannot be changed from the inside. The only real hope for genuine reform of our government and its policies

Profs provide home cooking for students

BY JAMIE HARRIS HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Students who miss the feeling of a home-cooked meal may be able to find one at their professors'

GW President Stephen Joel Frachtenberg has initiated a program called the President's Dinner Initiative in which he encourages professors to invite their students

Through the program, professors can be reimbursed up to \$100 for hosting dinners with their stu-

"This is a good program - the students really enjoy coming to my house. Thanks to the reimbursement, I can treat them to much better

food – not just hamburgers," GW Law School professor Joan Stand

The program has been in effect for the past two years with more than 45 faculty members and 432 students participating last year.

more than \$7,000, and though it is costly, those who have participated find it a worthy cause.

Trachtenberg started this project because "we often neglect to highlight the opportunities for and benefits of student interactions with faculty in social settings."

"A significant portion of a col-lege student's intellectual and developmental experience takes place outside of the classroom," Trachtenberg said in a letter encouraging faculty participation.

The experience is beneficial to both students and their hosts to learn more about each other and to complement their field of study.

"Students have told me how much it means to them. It gives the opportunity for establishing a relationship between professors and their students that can only be done in this way. It further creates a bonding between professors and their students that can only be done in this way," said anthropology professor Ruth Krulfeld.

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THE GW

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Where's the party?

The news that GW is the No. 2 party school in the country came as quite a surprise to most of the students here. The Princeton Review apparently knows some things we don't. Then again, their methodology leads one to wonder if they know much of anything at all about GW.

The Princeton Review says it bases its party school rankings on the amount of alcohol and drug use, the time (read: lack of) spent studying and the popularity of the Greek-letter system at universities. They also maintain separate lists for the top schools in each of these categories.

GW doesn't appear on any of those separate lists. So how is it that we find ourselves at No. 2 overall? Perhaps the Princeton Review should

A look at GW's review in the 1997 edition of their Student Advantage Guide to the Best 310 Colleges is most notable in that the entry is nearly identical to the one in the 1995 edition. This includes the same quotes from students. This in itself calls into question the Princeton Review's entire fact-gathering and ranking process. As student journalists, we believe accuracy and timeliness go hand-in-hand. Apparently the Princeton Review doesn't agree.

In addition, comparing the social scene at GW to that of first-on-thelist Florida State University, a school with a hugely popular football program and an undergraduate enrollment of nearly 20,000, is like comparing Boone's and Dom Perignon.

GW students work hard and play hard. We'll be the first to admit it. Maybe the reason the Princeton Review found we don't study too much is because most of us are also busy putting our skills to work at internships around town. We're one of only a few schools to make U.S. News and World Report's top 50 schools and still rank as a top party campus. So although the local media may have made a bit too much of this latest ranking (and perhaps not enough of our U.S. News standing), let's sit back and enjoy it.

Poetic justice?

The death of rapper Tupac Shakur after a drive-by shooting in Las Vegas last week unfortunately came as no surprise. Shakur's death is unquestionably a tragedy - he was only 25, and his most recent music had been hailed as the most optimistic of his career.

Shakur used his talent to glorify the "gangsta" experience, a tactic which sold a lot of records but unfortunately came back to haunt him. Like many rappers, he lived the things he talked about in his songs. He made a number of enemies, and he found himself in trouble with the law

After serving time on a sexual assault charge, Shakur emerged from jail last year with a new attitude. He tried to put a more positive spin on his music. Unfortunately, the negative images and actions he perpetuated in his past seemed to have already sealed his fate. Callers to a local radio show the day Shakur died agreed, for the most part, on one thing: If you live by the gun, you die by the gun. After all, this wasn't the first time the rapper was the victim of a drive-by shooting. He just wasn't lucky enough to survive this time.

It's too bad that the young gang members in this and other cities, whose lives are most similar to the things Shakur rapped about, probably won't be positively affected by news of his dying. Premature death is an everyday part of their lives. It's all part of the game. But hopefully the tragedy will have some of an effect on the rap industry, which affects the way millions of young people dress, talk, think and, most importantly, the way they act.

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Reality is a slap in the face for victims of crime on GW's campus

At times, reality can be a slap in the face. It is easy to pretend things are safe and nothing bad can happen, but part of the college experience is learning that such a perspective is not always a good thing. When the worlds of academic pursuit and street crime collide, serious reflection should follow. Now is one of those times.

Three GW students were robbed at gunpoint on 24th and G streets on Aug. 30 at 2:30 a.m. The incident happened on campus. They were in a group. Those are the facts, but the ramifications go far beyond the crime report. Nowhere does armed robbery fit into the picture of ideal university

The danger in this is in letting down our defenses. Crime is not something to ignore, and it will not go away. We live in the "good" part of a large, often menacing city, but that doesn't mean much in terms of individual crime statistics. Victimization will always occur, everywhere and at all times.

For me, it's frustrating to be

female and young when things like itself that really bothers me. Life this happen. It means I have to give up some of my newfound independence and ask for help. I'll admit I walk around by myself at night all the time. I'm alone in places and at times that I shouldn't be, a habit I am currently re-evaluating. It could have been anyone

Joanna Markell

that night, me or you.

I have known one of the students who was involved in the robbery since my freshman year. I have always admired her courage, strength and street sense, which makes this even harder to understand. The more questions I have, the fewer answers exist.

I am saddened by this event more than I am fearful. The assailant walked away with more than \$25 dollars - he also took a much more valuable sense of security from his three victims. It is also the attack on common sense

was almost compromised for \$25. Very little that is truly precious can be purchased for \$25.

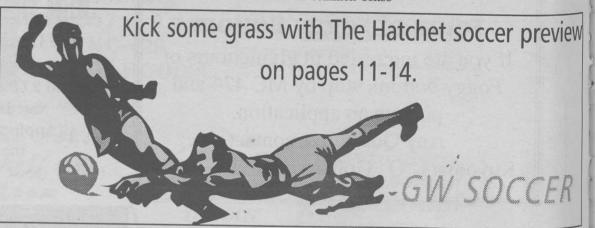
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Events like this are a lesson of sorts to the GW community, especially for students. We're the ones who live here after most of the rest of the University leaves at night. It is up to us, as much as anyone else, to ensure the safety of the area. And it's not exactly an option to rely solely on GW and the University Police. This is a personal issue. Safety depends of individual action.

This is not such a fun thing with which to deal during the first month of classes. Undoubtedly, there will be more crime in the future. After all, this is Washington, D.C. Some of it will most likely take place at GW. If nothing else, I would like to pass on some advice given to me by a friend after the incident - take the escort van.

-Joanna Markell is a senior journalism major.



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OPINION

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GW's U.S. News ranking: What will it do for you?

air of late, it's probably been due to GW's powerful gain in the ratings of American universities by U.S. News and World Report. GW is in the magazine's "first tier" now, devoted to the nation's 50 most important schools - and appears, more precisely, at No.

On one level, it's tempting to dismiss this entire episode as comedy of a certain kind. The magazine's self-appointment as a judge of higher education is devoid of official status. And while U.S. News works hard to determine its listings, looking into all kinds of academic minutiae, the end results - the actual listings - have often been criticized as 50 percent fact and 50 percent art. How do you go about mixing, in a single journalistic pot, the potential physician mastering brain surgery and the feelings of undergraduates about the food options available within hailing distance of their classrooms and their bedrooms?

On the other hand, there are some very positive things that can be said about the meaning of GW's new status on the U.S. News list and the situation of GW in particular. This is a University, after all, that is widely regarded as "on the move." It's also a University that has succeeded in identifying itself as the top school for those who are

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tional significance of their chosen disciplines. For a school so involved in moving itself forward, the fact that it has made a dramatic leap upward in a national ranking - especially one that gets taken as seriously, these days, as that of U.S. News - is a very special sign of success.

But of course, it's also a sign that raises some major questions about the future. How high can GW plausibly aim? In recent years it has climbed above its previous peer group - the schools. with which it was once com-

pared. How daring can GW be in defining its peer group of the 21st Century? Do Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Stanford have any reason to worry?

The status pyramid in American higher education is like the status pyramid at a Fortune 500 corporation. The closer you get to the top, as a corporate officer, the fiercer the competition becomes. Behind every new CEO we can see a trail of metaphorical bodies, representing all of those who had to be "defeated" in order for him or her to emerge triumphant.

In other words, from here on in, as it aspires to become No. 30 and No. 20 rather

If you've heard a note of rejoicing in the interested in Washington and in the internation than No. 46, GW will have to accomplish ever more spectacularly. And by "GW," I mean its students, its administrators and its staff as well as its faculty. But what the University's past already provides is a solid dose of motivation for every one of these groups. Each time GW makes another leap forward, for example, all of its alumni benefit by the

immediate rise in value of their degrees. Doors open to them that once might have remained closed. Their affiliation with GW suggests to potential employers and clients that they are probably "live wires," who have

internalized some of the University's dynamic personality traits and are not at risk of turning into "dead wood."

And much the same applies to faculty, administrators and staff. Every person on this campus has a personal career that intersects with his or her GW career. They might remain here until retirement. But if they do choose to go elsewhere at some point, then will they ever benefit from the moment, at a job interview, when the person on the other side of the desk says: "GW, eh? Can you turn lead into gold?"

In short, the greatest gift of the rise in U.S. News' rankings is its gift to our colleccy. First it looks like a form of intoxication. Then it turns out to be an effective predictor of accomplishment. What I myself sense at GW is the kind of buoyancy, and the kind of confidence, that's a very long-term matter. Something's always going on around here.

The President of the United States, when he chooses our campus to deliver a speech, testifies to our newfound centrality on the Washington scene. A statesman like Abba Eban discovers how adept we've become in seeing to it that those who take part in our programs receive national as well as regional exposure. And GW's faculty members, who for many years expected to pay a price in salary for their Washington location, have learned - to their pleasure, I hope - that salaries too can rise dramatically.

As we move toward our status of the 21st Century, only one thing is for certain: We'll gain, if we gain, collectively. When the rankings go up, each of our lives - each "bundle" of personal striving and hard work - is affected in a highly positive way. Good luck to you, therefore, in climbing your personal ladder. For GW, as it contemplates its future ladders, your triumphs and its triumphs are synony-

-Stephen Joel Trachtenberg is president of The George Washington University and a professor of public administration.

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GW students explore racial interaction on campus

At a school that stresses diversity, racial and cultural groups often cling tightly together

BY KARIN CSIZMAR HATCHET REPORTER

Students delved into the question "Which is life at GW -Diversity vs. Self-Segregation?" Thursday night, discussing the coexistence of the many cultural and ethnic backgrounds represented on

Thirty-nine people attended the discussion in the Marvin Center. African American, Indian, Jewish, Hispanic, Caucasian, international and multi-racial concerns were voiced.

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The Black Peoples' Union communication officer, junior Michael Morath, said students polarize themselves. He used J Street and the outside of Gelman Library as examples. He said students choose to racially segregate.

Humanities Department Chair

Miriam Dow, a GW professor since 1975, said voluntary self-segregation has a purpose. She said Thursday's program was the kind of interaction that dispels racism. It gave students

the opportunity to find each other "attractive and interesting," she

Dow defined multiculturalism as the ability to retain a cultural identity alongside others, inspiring a respect for and celebration of differences.

As President of the Black Peoples' Union (BPU) for two years, senior Akosua Walker said black students spend time with people and in places that make them feel comfortable.

Students said they represent their race in mostly white surroundings. In class, for example, absences and mistakes were a blemish to the reputation of their race. African American students said professors confuse their names with other African American students.

Graduate chemistry student

to confuse her with. She is the only African American in her Ph.D. program. "Everyone knows my name."

Program host Autumn Sexton-Ross said students should not

ridicule those trying to break social bound.

Karti Patel, an Indian student said she has not been welcomed by the African American or the white community on campus.

Sophomore Eliza Thompson said that when she moved to the United States from Africa, her initial contact with whites scared her

she is criticized for not being "black enough," she said.

More racial integration on campus is an important goal, but it should not be "forced - or the remedy is worse than the disease," senior Neil Verma said.

Speakers said GW's diverse appeal was partially why they chose to come to the University.

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Search for 'Miss Freshman' begins

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Potential participants for the first Miss Freshman pageant are now applying for the opportunity to be highlighted as an outstanding member of the Class of 2000.

The idea is the brainchild of Uzoamaka Nwadigo, treasurer of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Mu Delta Chapter, and Autumn Saxton-Ross, AKA chapter vice president.

To participate, one must first attend one of two information sessions to obtain an application and learn about the pageant. Next, contestants must fill out the application and return it with a \$20 processing fee by Sept. 20. After that, contestants attend a "Who's Who" meeting to start Congeniality

Congeniality Month takes place during weekends in October. Each weekend features a different activity in which contestants are observed and judged. Points are given based upon attendance and participation by an impartial third party, hopefully a University administrator. Some activities planned are a community service project, a dance or leadership workshop and an afternoon with a child sponsored by the contestant.

According to an informational pamphlet, qualities sought in a Miss Freshman are "congeniality, talent, community service and fundraising.

During the actual pageant, which takes place Nov. 23 in the Marvin Center Ballroom, there will be a talent portion and a questionand-answer segment, as well as

vote for their favorite contestant.

While the details of attire during the pageant are not completely decided, it is definite that there will be no bathing suit segment. Sanyu Newby, president of AKA said, "(The pageant) is about the inside."

Another undecided part of the pageant process is academics. While administrators and officials of the pageant agree that school participation is extremely important, having all-freshman contestants means there are no grade point averages by which one can gauge academic success.

Fund-raising, an important part of the contest, consists of the contestants selling ad space in the pageant booklet.

The winner of the pageant will be based on the total scores earned from the portions of the pageant, fund-raising results and, mainly, Congeniality Month.

Miss Freshman can expect to win a book scholarship for the spring semester, as well as other prizes. Awards will be presented to first and second runners-up as well. Prizes for theme awards such as Miss Congeniality and general participation also will be awarded.

All freshman women are encouraged to participate in the pageant. Freshman men are needed as well for escorting and help behind the scenes.

The information sessions were held in the Marvin Center Sept. 11 and Sept. 12. If a freshman is interested in the pageant but missed the initial sessions, she can call Nwadigo at 676-2371 or Saxton-Ross at 676-3081.

Student radio to hit waves Wednesday

GW's two student AM radio stations (WRGW 540 and WRTV 610) will both return to the airwaves this

WRGW will celebrate its 10th year of broadcasting beginning Wednesday with a schedule of 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. seven days a week. Each weeknight will be divided into block programming.

Sundays will feature blues and jazz music; Monday will host ska and hardcore; dance will take center stage Tuesdays; metal and rock 'n' roll will be Wednesday's feature; and Thursdays will showcase urban music.

WRTV, on the other hand, will begin Monday, and broadcast every Monday through Thursday from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m., with news, sports and variety talk shows. The station will feature its GW athletics "Game of the Week" each Friday afternoon from 3 p.m. until 5

Both stations are run by students. WRGW is broadcast from the fourth floor of the Marvin Center, and WRTV is run from GW's radio/TV department on 20th

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Bonior asks CDs to 'build future'

BY SUSAN SCHULTZ HATCHET REPORTER

GW's College Democrats embarked on the campaign trail with their first meeting Sept. 11 as more than 300 Democrats descend. ed on the Marvin Center Ballroom to hear House Minority Whip Rep. David Bonior (D-Mich.) and Deputy Director of the Democratic National Committee Bill Endicott.

The speakers addressed issues facing Democratic candidates, including the environment Medicare and student loans. With more than 20,000 student voters at GW, the organization stressed voter registration and attendance at the polls Nov. 5 to help re-elect the Clinton/Gore ticket.

"Politics should be a constant part of a person's life ... called upon during the time of election," Bonior said. He encouraged attendees to help build the future with President Clinton at the nation's helm for four more years.

Doug Miner, GW's democrats president, said students need to get involved and make their voices heard. "Our most sacred duty is voting - if we don't vote we hold no power.

Endicott explained the role of the DNC and asked for student support. The DNC raises funds, runs the national convention and provides many other political services, Endicott said.

"George Washington is a politically aware campus," Endicott

Professor Steven R. Eastaugh of the School of Business and Public Management also spoke. Eastaugh Democratic nomination Congressman in Maryland's 1st District. He challenged students to vote in the upcoming elections.

Eastaugh said he expects voters, especially in the University's voting community, to help restore a Democratic Congress.

Tables were set up for students to pick up Clinton/Gore memorabilia and to learn about voter registration and upcoming CD events. 'The State of Political Consulting' with strategist James Carville will be Sept. 17 in the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre.

Miner said he was pleased with the attendance at the first meeting and emphasized involvement in CDs' regular Sunday night meet-

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GW Hospital staff not satisfied with

(from p. 1)

manager for the medical center, said each potential partner understands when they enter negotiations with the University that the hospital must remain an integral part of the medical school.

"If they're not willing to support the medical school, the discussion is over," Katz said.

Katz said the University has no intention of selling the medical school to the hospital's new owners. "There would be academic relations between the new entities and our medical school, but the medical school is always going to be the GW Medical School. We're not getting out of medical education," Katz said.

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Most members of the faculty agree. "There is essentially no negative effect on the educational level here at the medical school because of the potential sale of the hospital from the standpoint of my department," said Dr. Raymond Walsh, the anatomy department chair-

Walsh said his department focuses on educating first- and second-year medical students, which is confined to the classroom setting and is not linked to any changes in the hospital or health plan.

Medical school faculty also have no need to worry that their jobs will be jeopardized by the merger. "Under any of the scenarios, the University will always have a med-

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ical school and we will always have a faculty for our medical school," Katz said.

> "I refused to have our baby here"

Tensions are high for many employees coping with uncertain iob security and larger work loads because of the recent layoffs.

"It used to be fun to come to work, not anymore," said electrocardiogram technician John Nembhard. "The attitude around here is no one really cares as long as they are getting paid."

Nembhard, a six-year GW employee, said his department's resources are low and "everything gets pushed back," meaning fewer transporters are available to take people to and from the hospital for

"It's not a caring environment anymore," Nembhard said. "I think the patients got hurt the most in the layoffs.

Nembhard, whose wife was a part-time nurse at GW and has since left the hospital, said when it came time to choose the hospital where his wife would give birth, they chose Shady Grove Hospital

"I refused to have our baby here," Nembhard said. He does not agree with administration officials gusted with it," Nembhard said. "If they lay off any more (employees), patients might as well take care of themselves

He said nurses who normally do not call in sick are calling in, and since the layoffs started, he has started getting ill due to stress. Nembhard used to work several overtime shifts, but now he limits his time in the hospital.

Other nurses are more apathetic about the outcome.

"I don't really care what's going to happen," said one nurse who did not want to be identified. "What's going to happen is going to hap-

"It is the worst nurse-to-patient ratio than ever before," said another nurse, who also asked not to be identified. "It's so bad there and (you) can't work overtime.'

When asked if the conditions at the hospital affected the quality of care patients were receiving, one nurse said, "Nurses always rise to the occasion. It's just very strenuous.

A 15-year senior nurse's assistant said, "I've seen this hospital go down slowly over the years.

She blames the low morale of some employees on the hospital's uncertainty. People are overworked and the uncertainty has gotten many employees "shook up' she said.

"People are going to the meetings, but (administrators) are still not telling people anything," she said. She also wished to remain anonymous.

A clinical nurse described the feeling in the hospital as "clueless." She said her department has benefited from the addition of recently hired part-time nurses.

Gloria Wiley-Austin has worked in food service at the cafeteria for three years. Her job was spared in the last round of layoffs, but she was "bumped" from relief cook on the grill to a general cafeteria worker. She is worried about future layoffs because some employees in the cafeteria have much longer tenure than her.

"All you could hear around here (during the layoffs) is who's going to bump who," Wiley-Austin recalled. "It's a mess. Everybody's attitude changed because of not knowing what is going to happen."

Meetings were held all last week to provide a GW Hospital update, and concerned employees were encouraged to attend. "At the meeting they said 'we can't say' and 'I don't know,' " she said. "At least they act like they didn't know.

"Everybody is worried where we will go from here if the hospital folds," she added.

X-ray technician Tony Duarte said the morale on the evening shift is not "too bad," and he con-

tributes it to a steady work load. "It keeps morale up a little," he said

"We're worried about what's going on," Duarte said. "(But it's) not the same pressure the day shift

Duarte said patient care is not suffering in his department, but said he thinks he may be an optimist because things are not as bad

"I'm hoping the (hospital administrators) know what they're doing," he said. "I wish they'd be up-front about it."

Gail Williams understands the severity of layoffs first-hand. After 15 years at GW as a patient escort, she was laid off in August 1995 and rehired last January as a nursing assistant. She said some employees are scared and waiting to see

what is going to happen.

Many of the employees are aggressively seeking new jobs, she

"Up on the floor it hurts patient care," Williams said. "If there's a shortage, do you think (patients) receive great care?"

Williams offered advice to her fellow employees. "What everybody has to do is sit back and wait," Williams explained. "The only person you can lean your weight on is

-Staff writers Leslie Sanchez, Amy Maio and Matt Kwan contributed significant sections to this report.



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Duke to debate affirmative action

(CPS) LOS ANGELES - In a controversial vote, the student senate at California State University-Northridge decided to pay former Ku Klux Klan member David Duke \$4,000 to debate affirmative action on campus

The senate voted 12-11 to invite the former Louisiana legislator to a Sept. 25 debate with Joe Hicks, a civil rights activist and executive director of the Los Angeles-based Multicultural Collaborative.

"We seem to forget this is a university," explained Senate President Vladimir Cerna, whose vote broke an 11-11 deadlock. "If you can't discuss these issues here, where can

During an open forum, a number of students questioned whether Duke should be allowed to debate Proposition 209, a November ballot measure that would ban affirmative-action policies in all state hiring and college admissions.

"David Duke should come speak here, because we need students to express their views," said junior Tamara Benefield, a 20-year-old philosophy major.

"This type of tolerance is the main pillar of a multiculturalist society, without which we would be relegated to narrow-minded, egocentric, dictatorial views," she said. Others disagreed. Marc Powell,

a member of the senate, called Duke "a pest in our society" who should not be invited to speak at CSUN.

Powell also voiced his concern that Duke might use the \$4,000 in his campaign for the U.S. Senate. Duke, who lost to Democratic Sen. J. Bennett Johnston in 1990, will face 14 other candidates in Louisiana's open primary Sept. 21.

"He is not a reputable person." Powell said. "We would not invite a rapist to speak."

The money to pay Duke and Hicks, who will receive about \$1,000, comes from student fees that support activities such as lec-

Kirsten O'Brien, a member of CSUN's lesbian and gay student center, said, "There's a difference between allowing free speech and encouraging hatred."

O'Brien said of Duke's scheduled appearance: "I plan on attending, and I plan on protesting."

California Gov. Pete Wilson's office condemned the senate's decision, however, saying that Duke was not an appropriate choice at a discussion on Proposition 209.

"To equate the civil rights measure, an initiative that seeks to end discrimination, with a racist like David Duke is an outrage," Sean Walsh, the governor's press secretary, told reporters.

WELLNESS BY THE MONTH

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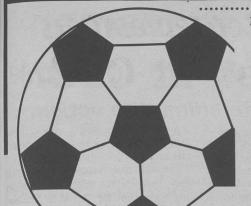
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The GW Hatchet Monday, Spetember 16, 1996 Colonial Soccer Preview

Women's team still taking on the best

MATT BONESTEEL SPORTS EDITOR

GW women's soccer head coach Shannon Higgins-Cirovski has never been one to back away from a

One would think that after a year in which her team went 8-9-1 with eight losses coming at the hands of ranked opponents, Higgins-Cirovski would pad GW's schedule with patsies in order to improve its record.

Not this season.

Once again, the Colonial Women will face some of the toughest teams in the nation as they try to advance to the NCAA Tournament. Six teams on GW's schedule are ranked in the most recent Soccer America Top 20.

The Colonial Women have played two of these ranked teams already this season, getting shut out in both games. They lost 5-0 to No. 8 Maryland in their season opener and were blanked 2-0 by No. 11 Clemson Saturday (see story p. 13).

With six returning starters, including forwards Chemar Smith

(1995 Atlantic 10 first team all-conference) and Jane Anderson (1995 A-10 Rookie of the Year), observers are expecting GW to improve on last year's mark.

The coaches of the A-Tyson Trish/Visuals 10 picked the Colonial Women to repeat as champions of the West Division. Last season they went 5-0 in A-10 play and outscored their opponents 19-4 in those five contests.

Higgins-Cirovski is not expecting any easy conference victories this time around.

"Obviously, (the conference) has changed great deal, said "All of the teams have gotten

stronger. We have seen the emergence of Xavier and Temple as strong teams. Even Duquesne (who fielded a team for the first time last season) gave us trouble last year.'

Picked to finish behind GW in the West Division are, in order, Xavier, Dayton, Virginia Tech, Duquesne and

Sitting at the top of the conference is defending champion Massachusetts, which was picked to finish first in the A-10 East Division conference coaches. Minutewomen are ranked 17th in the latest Soccer America Top 20.

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The Oct. 6 home match with UMass will be the key game of GW's season, with a possible rematch coming in the A-10 championship in early November. The Minutewomen eliminated the Colonial Women from last year's tournament with a 2-0 victory in the semifinals. GW has never beaten UMass since the A-10 began confer-

ence play in 1993.

"It would be nice if we did beat them," Higgins-Cirovski said. "Good wins are the major way to get into the NCAA Tournament."

The A-10 coaches picked, in order, Temple, Rhode Island, St. Bonaventure and St. Joseph's to finish behind UMass in the East Division of the conference.



International freshman wonders unite to lead GW

Editor

HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

Who is Colin Berenhaut? Who is Sebastian Rodriguez? These two GW soccer players, from Canada and Chilé, respectively, through campus completely unno-

They are freshmen, but when these two foreign students step onto a soccer field, they erase any images that the word "freshman" usually conjures up. The numbers these two rookies have posted in the early season are making it hard for people not to notice them

The combination of Berenhaut in and net the Rodriguez on the run has led the Colonials to a record of 4-2. The 17year-old Berenhaut allowed nly three goals GW's

GW Freshman Colin Berenhaut

first four games. In support is Rodriguez, who has scored four this already season. Rodriguez also contributed the game-winning goals in each of the wins, and was named Atlantic 10 Conference rookie of the week for each of the first two weeks of the

When American college-bound freshmen say farewell to their hometowns and have to adjust to another environment, it can often be a difficult task. For both Berenhaut and Rodriguez, this transition involves even more factors.

Support from teammates has made acclimating to foreign soil a lot easier. "When I first came to visit, my teammates made me feel as if I was one of the guys," Rodriguez said.

He said a slight language barrier gave him a little trouble with the forms he needed to fill out upon arrival at GW, but his roommate and teammate Marty Williams came to his rescue.

Rodriguez has found other nice surprises in Washington. "People here are laid back, but in Chilé everyone is stressed," he said.

Berenhaut's initial reaction to being in Washington, D.C., was one of shock, but as with Rodriguez, the players on the team have made the transition easy. "My early season

confidence in the net is attributed to the attitude and support of my teammates," Berenhaut said.

In many South American nations, when a child first begins to walk, the soccer ball becomes their best friend. This was the case for Rodriguez, who was raised in the Chiléan capital of Santiago.

He played for many years on a recreational level, and at the age of 16 he took his game to another plateau. Rodriguez went through rigorous try-outs and was selected play with Club Deportivo Universidad Catolica.

"That was a big step for me," the 20-year-old said of joining a club he grew up watching.

He didn't play much on the under-17 team, but by the summer of 1995 Rodriguez became the player who coaches and scouts had expected. He was the top scorer in the under-20 national league. This is what excited GW scout Jorge Alvial, who had helped out with Rodriguez Rodriguez's team. was seconds away from signing a professional contract to play in front of 80,000 people in Santiago, but he made a move to benefit his future.

"Many players in Chilé sign contracts to play professionally, but when soccer's over they don't have anything to fall back on," he said of his decision to heed Alvial's advice



and head north to GW.

In the same hemisphere as Chilé but much farther north lies Manitoba. In an area of the world that is known for ice hockey, Berenhaut broke into the Canadian pastime at the age of six. Slowly, however, the soccer ball became more important than the hockey puck, and by the age of 12 soccer was a big part of Berenhaut's life.

Berenhaut developed a feel for the entire field, particularly from the goalie's perspective. "The goalie

(See FÚTBOL, p. 14) head

or

but

coach Shannon

Higgins-Cirovski

is both amazed

and excited about

Jensen's come-

back. "She's a

total soccer head.

She's had like 18

she comes back

from all her

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SPORTS EDITOR

As if one serious injury was not enough to overcome, GW goalie Traci Jensen has overcome many.

She has troublesome knees, plus the ankle she hurt in the fall of 1994 that prematurely ended her season.

Showing her true love of the game, Jensen has thrown caution to the wind this season and come back for what she hopes will be her first full season since her freshman year in 1993.

"She comes back from all her injuries because of her love for the game, and both her teammates and I are happy to have her back."

> Shannon Higgins-Cirovski injuries because of her own love for the game, and both her teammates and

-GW head coach

I are happy to have her back." It was back in 1993 when Jensen burst onto the Atlantic 10 Conference soccer scene, playing in all but 30 minutes for GW that season. That year, when Jensen remained healthy for the entire season, she garnered four shutouts, had a 1.78 goals against average and earned second-team all-conference honors.

Having established herself as a bigtime goalie, Jensen returned for her 12sophomore year and shone again. In

1994 she lowered her GAA to 0.92, racked up seven shutouts, and put together a 10-6 record before she hurt her ankle and missed the conclusion of the season.

Jensen's efforts as a sophomore earned her second-team all-conference again, and she was also nominated for the regional all-American team after posting one of the area's best GAAs.

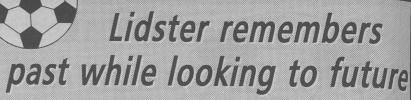
As Jensen and the GW team readied itself for last season, however, disaster struck again. After healing her ankle, Jensen's knee, which had bothered her in high school, gave out. Jensen was forced to miss the entire season, watching from the sideline as the Colonial Women went through an agonizingly inconsistent 8-9-1 season.

This fall Jensen is back on the scene once more, healthy but perhaps a bit out of sync with her teammates. "It's almost like she's a newcomer," Higgins-Cirovski said. "There have been some communication problems so far, but Traci knows where she needs to improve."

Jensen has allowed 11 goals during the team's 1-3 start, but the competition has been tough. Two of the losses were to nationally-ranked Maryland and

Any rustiness aside, Higgins-Cirovski said she has no doubts about Jensen's prowess in goal. "Traci is an outstanding keeper, and she is of huge value to this team when she's on the field."

With the talent, love for the game, leadership skills and good health she once again possesses, Jensen could be destined to return to the East Coast's upper echelon of goalkeepers.



DAVE MANN HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

GW men's soccer head coach George Lidster is buzzing around his Smith Center office, preparing to leave on his team's latest road trip.

His Colonials stand at 4-2 on the season, the 10th under Lidster. With GW trying to rebound from its first loss just days earlier. Lidster is looking forward to his team's next challenge, which will be an early-season tournament in Oxford, Ohio.

But for a moment, Lidster stops packing and thinks not " of the future, but of the past and his previous nine seasons at GW, in which he has compiled a , record of 83-65-23

His tenure started in I 1987, after three seasons as an assistant coach at George Mason University. Lidster was named head coach at GW in late August, giving him no time to pre-pare or recruit. The result was a 1-3-1 start to his GW career.

His team came together quickly that year, and GW eventually won 10 straight. Lidster ended his first season by being named NCAA Atlantic South region "Coach of the

Lidster also fondly recalls his 1989 team, which reached the final 16 of the NCAA tournament and set a school record with 14 victories.

We got to the final 16 by beating (George) Mason in the first round of the tournament at Mason," said Lidster, referring to GWs 3-1 victory on Nov. 11, 1989, the first NCAA Soccer Tournament win in GW history. "We then went on to Indiana and

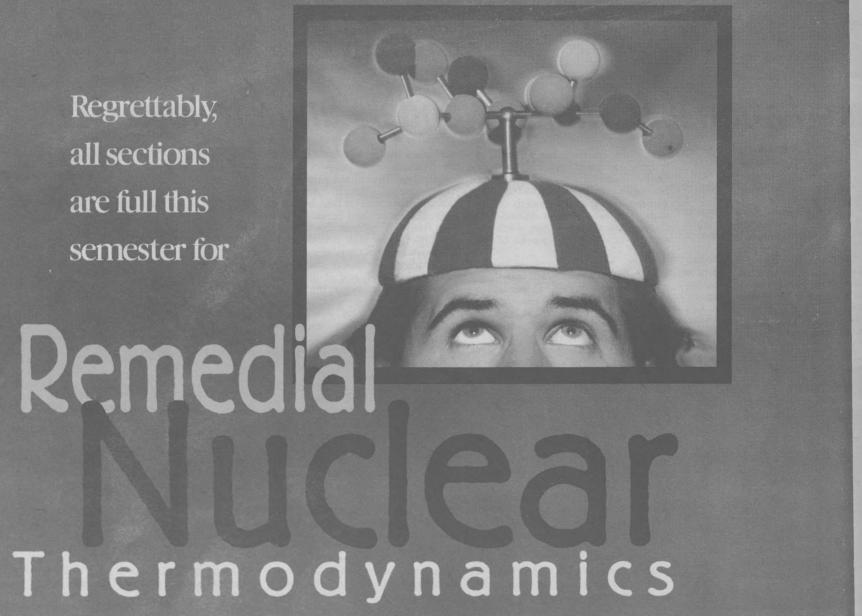
For his team's success in the 1989 season, Lidster was awarded Atlantic 10 Conference "Coach of the Year." He earned the distinction again in 1992, as he led the Colonials to their first regular season A-10 title.

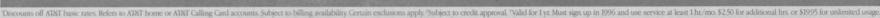
Lidster resumes packing away various items in his office. The Durham, England, native continues to look back, this time on less successful seasons. Lidster tells of the woes of his 1994 team, which devastated by was injuries and went on to set a school record for losses with 12.

"We'd had so many injuries, I didn't even know if I could field 11 players at times," Lidster recalled. "Of course it was all the key players getting injured that year.

It was a long, long season, my toughest in coaching.

Lidster finishes packing and looks to the future of his current GW team. He hopes freshman Sebastian Rodriguez, a forward, goalie Colin Berenhaut and junior transfer Omar Sigtryggsson can improve a team that went 9-7-1 last season. This is the future of GW men's soccer, one Lidster hopes will include the kind of success he has enjoyed in the past.







Veterans help women's coach do her job

JOE JARECK

HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

As the GW women's soccer team's 1996 season approached, many figured it would be a "rebuilding" year because of the loss of five starters to graduation.

Head coach Shannon Higgins-Cirovski's club lost most of its defense and also some vocal leadership from the graduates of last year's 8-9-1 squad.

"We lost a lot of talkers," senior captain Kristin Davidson said. "When you're a senior it's expected that you be more of a

Davidson, who is fifth on GW's all-time

scoring list, has played every game since coming over from the basketball team after her freshman year. In just about every one of those games, seniors Jen and Tanya Vogel have been alongside

"All three of us complement each other's strengths and weaknesses very well. We know things about each other without verbal communication," Jen Vogel said.

She also realizes the importance of raising the level of her game. "I've always been a quiet leader. I know I need to be more vocal. It's also essential that I step up my physical play as

While Jen Vogel and Davidson are the quiet types, Tanya, the other captain, is the one who can be heard "quarterbacking" the troops on the field. "Tanya carries us with her

words," her sister said.

"Tanya's a natural leader whose role has been elevated this year. We've asked her to become more vocal, and we always look to her and Davidson to take charge," Higgins-Cirovski said.

The head coach became serious when asked if she would miss these three. "Of course, these girls are special people, with lots of talent to offer both on and off the field," she said.

The other Colonial seniors, Vicky Brunt, Courtney Pollard, Sara Blanchard and Alyssa Newman will try to assist Davidson and the Vogels in earning GW's first-ever bid to the NCAA Tournament.

"This team has a ton of potential," Higgins-Cirovski said. "They just need to get some victories under their belt, which is tough to do because we don't get a break in the schedule.'

Jen Vogel took it a step further. "This team has more potential than any I've been on. I want to create an attitude that lasts long after we're gone. I want to make GW history."





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HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

The Colonial Women had a difficult weekend at the 1996 University of Virginia Invitational, losing a pair of close games to Villanova and Clemson in dropping to 1-3 overall.

Clemson 2, GW 0

The Colonial Women faced a tough opponent and got shutout Sunday by the Lady Tigers, who are ranked 11th in the country

Clemson's first goal at 15:59 was all the Lady Tigers needed to down GW. Clemson gave itself a little more breathing room 41 minutes into the game with a two-pass scoring combina-

The loss left the Colonial Women without a win in the two-day invitational, while Clemson finished 2-0 after

also topping national power Virginia.

A lack of offensive pressure did not seem to be the problem for GW, which

managed eight shots against the Lady Tigers. The team simply could not beat Clemson goalkeeper Suzanne Putnam, who ended up with seven saves.

'We didn't have a problem getting

"We didn't have a problem getting shots off, we just couldn't stick it in the back of the net," GW head coach Shannon Higgins-Cirovski said.

Villanova 4, GW 3

Villanova's goal with 2:36 left in the first game of the Virginia Invitational on Friday lifted the Lady Wildcats to wictory in a game that went back and victory in a game that went back and

forth during the entire 90 minutes. Every time GW scored, Villanova answered quickly. The loss was also frustrating because the Colonial Women outshot their opponent 19-11.

GW jumped in front at the 19:35 mark on a goal by senior midfielder Tanya Vogel. Villanova bounced back four minutes later to end the scoring for the first half, and the teams headed for the break knotted at one

Then the second-half shootout

began. There were a combined five goals and 18 shots in the final 45 minutes of the game. The Colonial Women grabbed the lead two minutes into the half with junior Chemar Smith's goal, a

short shot from the left side.

The lead didn't last long, though. Just over a minute later, Villanova netted a score to pull even at 2-2. The backbreaker seemed to come at 65:38 when the Wildcats' Kathleen Roman scored her second goal of the game.

GW, trailing for the first time in the game, stormed back late. At 82:50, Katy McQuillan scored on assists from Smith and Vicky Brunt, the second points of the game for each player. But Maura McGhee's second goal for Clemson at 87:24 dashed GW's hopes of coming away with a victory.

"Giving up goals right after you've scored is due to mental lapses, and we had way too many of them against a Villanova team that we should have beaten," Higgins-Cirovski said.

The Colonial Women will start their conference play when they visit Dayton and Xavier next weekend.

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Men's team goes 1-1 during rough weekend in Ohio

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The GW men's soccer team traveled to Miami (Ohio) University over the weekend for the Kelme Miami Tournament, split its two games and left Ohio late Sunday night with a 4-2 record on the season.

Newcomer Enrique Reyes made his GW debut one to remember by scoring the winning goal in Saturday's 2-1 double-overtime win over Miami. The Colonials could not recover from Saturday's marathon, however, and lost to eventual tournament winner Bowling Green by a 4-2 score on Sunday.

Bowling Green 4, GW 2

Bowling Green midfielder Jason Began scored on a penalty kick in the 75th minute Sunday to break a 2-2 tie as the Falcons handed GW its second loss of the season, 4-2.

Freshman standout Sebastian Rodriguez continued his hot scoring, netting back-to-back goals to

bring GW back from an early 2-0 deficit and tie the game.

Rodriguez took a pass from Ben Ferry and scored in the 21st minute to cut the Bowling Green lead to 2-1. Then, in the 69th minute, Rodriguez scored his sixth goal of the season on a penalty kick to tie the game at two before Began recaptured the lead for the Falcons.

Joe Burch scored his second goal of the game in the 86th minute to give Bowling Green a little cushion.

Bowling Green controlled play, getting 17 shots on GW goaltender Colin Berenhaut. His counterpart, Falcon goaltender Scott Vallow, faced only four GW shots.

Bowling Green scored two goals in the first 12 minutes, as Chris Dore beat Berenhaut in the third minute and Burch scored his first goal of the game in the 12th minute.

The game was also marked by rough play, as six yellow cards and two red cards were handed out. GW's Ben Hatton was ejected in the 82nd minute

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after picking up his second yellow card, and Brett Strang of Bowling Green was given a red card and ejected in the 69th minute.

GW 2, Miami (Ohio) 1

It took two overtimes and 112 minutes for GW's match with host Miami to be decided. Reyes, whose presence on the team was just recently announced by the GW sports information department Thursday, scored the decisive goal and gave GW its fourth win of the season.

Miami opened the scoring in the 35th minute when Jon Hoffinger beat Berenhaut to give Miami the 1-0 lead it held at halftime.

Sophomore Craig Jones tied the game for the Colonials in the 72nd minute when he scored off a pass from defender Hatton. The goal knotted the game at one goal apiece, which is the way it remained for more than 40 minutes of playing time.

The Colonials return home next weekend for a match against local foe Howard University Sunday at 2 p.m.

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Fútbol is international language at GW

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is the quarterback of soccer, he's the director," Berenhaut said.

He flourished in the net and eventually joined the under-20 Canadian

National Team.

The highlight of his tenure with that team was his shutout against the United States in San Diego this summer. Since arriving in America, Berenhaut has not lost his pride in Canada. Teammates joke with him about the apparel that he wears, which is often covered with the maple leaf, Canada's symbol.

Berenhaut has been a huge blessing for GW head coach George Lidster. "After losing Ward (former goalie McIntyre) last year, I felt we needed to bring in a new goalkeeper," Lidster said.

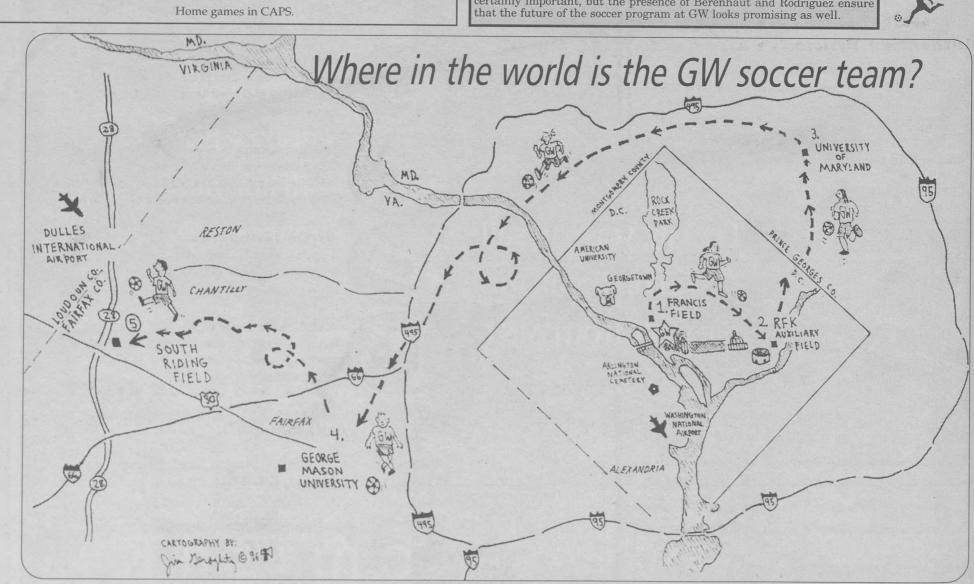
Lidster added that he likes Berenhaut because off the field he's mild-

mannered but on it he's brave and confidant.

Soccer, or "fútbol," as Rodriguez calls it, has proved to be the universal language. This is the case on teams throughout the world but also at GW, where one-third of the squad was born outside the United States. The countries of origin include Wales, Iceland, England, and of course, Canada and Chilé.

Thus far, the language of the team has seemed to be fluent soccer. The support of the freshman sensations has been strong while the veterans have provided the foundation for the team. The older members of the team are certainly important, but the presence of Berenhaut and Rodriguez ensure that the future of the soccer program at GW looks promising as well.





D.C. students make GW home

21st Century Scholars find their niche in Foggy Bottom

BY JENNIFER LEMEGA HATCHET REPORTER

What makes Darnell Bennett, Wai-Ying Chow, Shereena Dickens, Jamehl Lillie-Holland and Regina Van Horne stand apart from other freshmen?

All are 21st Century Scholars, a program GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg started in 1989 to recruit top high school students in the District and provide them with full scholarships to GW.

The scholarship includes tuition, room and board and student fees including books and

school supplies.
"I lived here all my life, but I never got to take full advantage of the city," Dickens said. "I want to learn all I can, get a good education and have fun."

Dickens, a graduate of Benjamin Banneker Academic High School, is majoring in environmental engineering and works at the MC Store. Students in 21st Century are not required to get jobs and are not part of work study. "I just work for some spending money," Dickens said.

Though Dickens said she had really wanted to "get out of town" for college, GW's offer kept her here. "When GW called ... it was

really nice ... (and) a great opportunity. I'm thankful I don't have to worry about the money. That's the coolest thing about it."

"Once I found out about the 21st Century program, that was my goal," Lillie-Holland said. "I worked at it and took courses at GW my senior year in high school."

Lillie-Holland, from Dunbar High School, was also offered a scholarship at Howard University. "As black students, some of us need a comforting environment, but some of us need to get the opportunity to be a part of something more diverse," she said. "Getting D.C. public school students to GW is good."

Lillie-Holland is a mechanical engineering major who plans to go into architecture. She works parttime at The Gap, and plans to join the Black Peoples' Union and Gospel Choir.

Bennett, also from Benjamin Banneker, is planning to go into medical engineering. "The scholarship is restrictive," said Bennett, because it does not cover summer courses. "I chose GW because of the financial aid package and the good engineering program."

Chow, who attended the School Without Walls High School on the GW campus, said she "wanted to

stay in the area.'

"I was considering GW or Georgetown. I chose GW because of the more down-to-earth people ... more diverse not only in race, but in thinking more open-minded."

"President Trachtenberg said we should take all the talent we have here in D.C. and keep it here. He is right," Chow added.

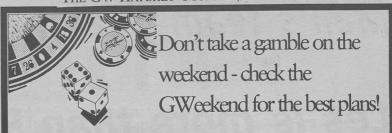
Though she is undecided on a major, Chow is focusing on her fascination with languages, taking third-year Chinese and second-year German. She said she is also looking forward to intramural volleyball

"People in 21st Century don't have to worry about financial aspects of education and are more free to concentrate on classes," Chow said.

Associate Director of Admissions for Off-Campus Recruitment Sammie Robinson said, "It's a wonderful program. It is encouraging and uplifting for me. As a graduate of D.C. public schools, it is rewarding for me to give the scholarship."

Robinson is a member of the committee that interviews appli-

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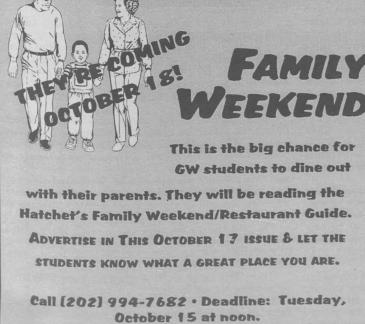
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Les is more than Primus

Claypool's side band a success with help from friends

BY MATT STUMPF HATCHET STAFF WRITER

here's only one place where bass god Les Claypool is likely to twiddle his thumbs over the strings of his beloved bass.

Even after three best-selling albums, it's all activity for the man who formed Primus in 1984 and has seen a meteoric rise to rock stardom ever since.

With a break between Primus albums, Claypool has set out on the road with a group of his friends, releasing a new album, Les Claypool and the Holy Mackerel presents High Ball with the Devil (Interscope), and doing the unexpected, in true Claypool tradition.

"I like to keep busy," he said in an interview at the 9:30 Club before his show Monday. "If anything, it keeps my interest in Primus. I wouldn't want to just play Primus songs for the rest of my life, I'd be bored out of my mind. Who the hell would want to do that? You have to keep your sanity, do other things, keep shit fresh."

And it seems his sanity, or lack thereof, is well intact. On the new album, as well as in concert, he forges a musical path similar to that of Primus, placing renewed emphasis on unconventional rhythmic patterns and superhuman bass figures. And the humor is still there, with tales of

everyday misadventures permeat- might become mundane." ing the album.

"I think there's importance in humor," Claypool said. "Why go through life stressed out and worrying all the time, wearing black and shooting up?"

Claypool has also taken the opportunity to introduce new Primus drummer Brian "Brain" Mantia, who replaces the departed Tim Alexander. Mantia is Claypool's perfect partner both in rhythmic complexity on stage and for his mix of musical seriousness and behind-the-scenes humor. Mantia boasts of his selection, with the hint of the sarcasm that seems to define him as a friend of Claypool: "Because I'm good. I'll kick your ass," he offered.

Claypool said that Primus, with Mantia on drums, will begin recording in December and plans a spring 1997 album release. But for now, it is time to concentrate on this solo venture.

"I have friends who are in big, giant rock bands that can't do side projects because they're all afraid that their bands are going to suffer," he said.

Nonetheless, he believes in this continuous musical renewal as a way to experiment outside of Primus and help the band at the same time. "I've always liked unique things. I would like to hope that we stay unique, but sooner or later, as we get older, our stuff

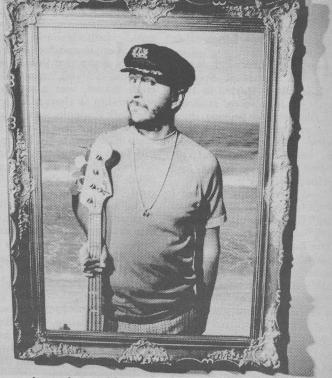
At this point, Claypool and his band seem anything but mundane. Through his well-received tour with the Holy Mackerel, Claypool has been able to showcase his considerable talents to thrilled crowds. Though somewhat smaller than the audiences that Primus draws, hard-core Claypool fans are able to get close to the man they a call a deity.

Playing only songs from the new album, the Holy Mackerel functioned as a tight rhythmic unit at the 9:30 Club, alternating a complex set of bass and guitar solos with Claypool's lyrical play-

Perhaps the two best songs on the album, "Precipitation" and "Hendershot," came to life in concert, as Claypool and Mantia blazed through the charts, adding nuances that guitar genius Mark "M.I.R.V." Haggard, frontman for the band M.I.R.V., inventively played over with the utmost ability, together displaying an intensity rarely seen in modern music.

A frustrated Vernon Reid, however, did not see the same success in his solo venture. Despite technical problems and a lack of crowd support from the half-filled 9:30 Club, Reid and his band Masque played a decent set that met some expectations, but left many mourning what could have been.

On the neck of his guitar, Reid



Les Claypool may be working solo of Primus with his band the Holy Mackerel, but he's still his unique self.

has inscribed "e=mc²," the theory of relativity. Relatively, his performance wasn't bad, but the music world expects more from the likes of Vernon Reid. While at times he spread his guitar magic throughout the room, his fingers raging up and down the frets and displaying a furor pent-up since his days with Living Colour, at others he seemed content to rehash old, boring rock

tracks and predictable hip-hop oriented bass lines.

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Openers M.I.R.V. hit the stage sporting matching goatees, announcing themselves as a 1990s version of ZZ Top. But they quickly dispelled the musical cliché of image over substance, putting together an amazingly complex musical melange of influences from Primus to Mr. Bungle, by way of Frank Zappa and Italian aria.

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riffs over monotonous DJ drum **Manic Street Preachers** make 'A New Design for Life'

BY JOSEF NOVOTNY

erhaps one of the more interesting stories in British rock has to do with a band most people probably have never heard of.

The Manic Street Preachers are a band that started off in 1991 with all the attitude of a glam punk band trying to get attention

Led by singer/guitarist James Dean Bradfield, the band also featured guitarist Richey James, who is noted for his infamous interview with an NME (New Music Express) reporter. The reporter claimed that the band wasn't for real. James proved him and the rest of the British media wrong by taking out a razor blade and carving the words "4 Real" in his arm, leaving a trail of blood as he left to get stitches.

The Manic Street Preachers have undergone some rather dramatic ordeals since, most notably the disappearance in 1994 of James. His car was discovered by a bridge notorious for suicides, but no trace of James has ever turned up. To this day, neither the band, James' family nor Scotland Yard officials know of James' whereabouts.

The band narrowed down to a three-piece after James' disappearance to record Everything Must Go (Epic) and is now doing a promotional tour with Oasis and Screaming Trees. The new single off the album is "A Design for Life."

Bass player Nicky Wire, another notorious figure in the band, once knocked a cameraman over in concert with his instrument. As a result, I was nervous before my scheduled interview with Wire when he was in town Tuesday for the tour stop at the Nissan Pavilion. But over the phone Wire was a warm, gracious and polite person.

The band's current tour was the topic of conversation. "Well, this is only our second tour," Wire said in a thick Welsh accent. "Our first one was in 1992, and we were in L.A. during the riots. It really was legendary for its crappiness. You know, we were young

and confrontational, and I just don't think that it translated with the audience. But now a few years have passed and we have become quite a different

Wire paused before talking about the sensitive subject of James. "For three or four months we didn't talk about anything. We took a total of one year off, hoping that something with the investigation would materialize. We were genuinely worried about our mate, and he contributed about 75 percent of the words to our last album, The Holy Bible. But Richey had written the words to a few songs that appear on Everything Must Go, and we just decided to carry on. We talked with his family, and we decided to narrow down to a three-piece.

Wire said it was hard to enjoy performing for the first few months after James' disappearance. "It won't ever be the same as it was before," he said. "But that's not to say that we wanted to quit. We knew that things would be different, and it was going to take some getting used to. Musically, we are better now than before. We've focused that much more on our abilities.

Wire talked a bit about the Manic Street Preachers' infamous early days when the band was mentioned in the British press daily. "I think that the press in those days didn't really take us seriously at first. We had no musical heritage being from Wales, and they thought we were a joke. We looked different and talked different, and we pretty much just said what we thought at the moment without thinking of the consequences.

He said things are different now. "I really think that we are more mature and considerate than we were before. We are energetic and, of course, very

working-class, having come from Wales."

Then Wire laughed. "But when it comes down to it,

we're arrogant old fuckers!"

Only a member of the Manic Street Preachers can say that and still seem like the most down-to-earth person vou'll ever meet.

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Cibo Matto side project is a New Mellencamp is funky grab bag of groove

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roove. Some bands make it, while others fake it. Taking the concept of "making groove" to its ultimate destination seems to be the mission of Miho Hatori and Yuka Honda, the Japanese duo better known as Cibo Matto, whose essential Viva! LA Woman (Warner Bros.) was released to critical raves earlier this year.

Hatori's and Honda's new "side project" is Butter 08, a combo also featuring Jon Spencer Blues Explosion drum master Russell Simins, Skeleton Key percussionist Rick Lee and graphic artist Mike Mills. Butter 08(Grand Royal), the band's debut, is an unexpectedly heady collection of soundscapes and partytime blowouts, a funky, laid-back grab bag of familiar grooves and found sounds, a record so informal and unconcerned with itself that it has song titles such as "Dick Serious," "Butter Of 69" and "Butterfucker."

"Thank you, Daddy" Hatori coos mysteriously, and the record begins. "9mm" is all fuzz bass riffage and broken English singing, with the only distinguishable line being the chorus' giddy shout-out of "I got more than 9mm!" If ever there was a song designed to inspire massive episodes of uncontrollable moshing and pogo-hopping, "9mm" is it.

"Dick Serious" finds Simins on lead vocals, which is only fitting because the song is a powerhouse rocker in the Blues Explosion tradition. Horns wail and moan, Rick Lee scorches a mean trail on lead guitar,

Simins' drumming is beyond perfection as usual and Hatori even pleads at one point for everything to go "more faster" (or is she saying "more pasta?"). The whole thing implodes into a prickly cacophony, a massive wall of sound.

Highlighting the fact that Butter 08 is all about groove and disparate soundscapes, "Dick Serious" flows right into "How Do I Relax," such a lazy ball of retro lounge wonder with its obscure, jazzy sample that it sounds like it would have fit nicely somewhere on Beck's recently released sonic masterpiece, Odelay. Honda, in particular, shines on this track. Her keyboard playing, as usual, is sublime.

"Mono Lisa" is a layered confection of organdrenched sound that rivals the best of Stereolab. Not lyrically challenging to be sure - it's simply "Mono Lisa" sung over and over – but sound-wise it proves Hatori and Honda are sonic masters, regardless of what musical genre they are presented or present themselves with, as the case may be.

It is important to note that Butter 08 is not the essential masterpiece that Viva! La Woman was. By no means does it achieve the thematic continuity or musical textures that Hatori and Honda created as Cibo Matto. Still, Butter 08 is a fun and entertaining exercise in the power of groove, a perfect companion piece to the Cibo Matto and Jon Spencer Blues Explosion records that are sitting on your shelf, and a glowing testament to the limitless palette of sound that the rest of us take for granted. Groove away, girls.

only a fair comeback

BY TRYG OLSEN HATCHET STAFF WRITER

ohn Mellencamp is a great musician. He has recorded 14 albums, some of which have reached legendary status, such as American Fool and The Lonesome Jubilee. However, his previous album, Dance Naked, was boring and borrowed from other artists.

His newest album, Mr. Happy Go Lucky (Mercury), tries to bring Mellencamp back, but falls just short.

It isn't a bad album. Its cover speaks volumes about the music the it encloses. It's a mad-cap, almost circus-like splash of color, symbols and images. It's like Mellencamp stepped into a foreign film and sat down.

The music is at best described as OK. Mr. Happy Go Lucky opens with a two-minute medley of the album cuts, played on a manic violin. It's interesting, but unfortunately the songs played in the medley are mostly the worst of the album.

What makes parts of the album so bad is that Mellencamp performs them while trying to be someone else. It sounds like he wants to be Beck. The Beck quality comes from the weird discussions and extraneous musi-

cal interludes that pervade the album and detract from the good songs.

"Jackamo Road," the 11th cut, is a poorly veiled cover of Janis Joplin's
"Me and Bobby McGee." The song is practically the same, but Mellencamp
tries to hide it with a palooka band drawl of a trombone at the end of the song. Even then, though, it seems like it is tacked on to hide the fact that the song sounds like Joplin's.

Oh yes, there are some good songs. The second cut, "Jerry," is a haunting description of a man who is over the hill and doesn't realize it. The pounding beat is left alone by Mellencamp's new, extraneous, Beck-influenced crap. Jerry may become a legend, like Jack and Diane in the '80s.

"The Full Catastrophe," "Large World Turning" and "Life is Hard" all are tracks that demand individual attention on Mr. Happy Go Lucky. The

other songs have a tendency to blend together, though.

The truly wonderful song on this album is a song that everybody's already heard way too much, "Key West Intermezzo." On this particular track, Mellencamp finally gets it right, painting a subtle watercolor wash over a south Florida night. As the sun goes down over the Keys, the song takes over where nature left off.

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It may not be the Ritz, but Aston life is pretty good

BY STEPHANIE LASH HATCHET STAFF WRITER

While a typical GW freshman residence hall experience includes all-nighters gabbing in the hallways, pizza deliveries at 2 a.m. and dealing with upwards of three roommates crammed into a room the size of a shoebox, it does not normally feature marble bath-rooms, furnished kitchens and wall-to-wall carpeting.
That is, unless it's the Aston.

The Aston Hotel, which includes all such facilities, is the new home for 124 freshmen, two resident assistants and one resident director. As freshman acceptances and housing registrations poured back into the Office of Residential Life this summer, GW officials were faced with the predicament of providing housing for all freshmen, to whom a room is guaranteed.

With overcrowding in all halls, the search widened to off-campus providers and finally ended at the Aston Hotel, 1129 New Hampshire Ave., N.W.

Incoming students were given the option to sign up for the hotel during the first four Colonial Inaugurations, and many Aston residents claim that their first experience in Thurston Hall made them

Thurston. It was crazy," said Aston Sarah Perlman. Interested freshmen were put on a list according to the order their original housing application was received, and now the Aston houses 62 rooms of GW students, spread throughout the building. Their neighbors include foreign dignitaries, businessmen and even the cast of "Beauty and the Beast," now playing at the Kennedy Center.

Although they are detached from campus, many Aston residents said the benefits outweigh

the negatives.
Who wouldn't want to live in a luxury hotel?" asked freshman Alfred Nader, who claims to have no complaints about his housing

Many students cite the quiet study opportunities in their room as both the reason they moved in and the benefit of living at the Aston. Avni Bhalakia and Laura Gannon both moved to the Aston after realizing over the summer that the loud atmosphere in Thurston would not be conducive to studying.

"It's easier to study here," Bhalakia said. And Gannon mentioned that other benefits, such as

in perks. "It's where I've met a lot of people," she said.

The gym may be one of the only areas in the hotel where students have opportunities to meet fellow freshmen. Because they are living among other non-student residents and away from the social center of Thurston, many Aston freshmen admitted that the lack of social interaction is a negative to living

Stephanie Brown said that although she's made a lot of friends, it's more difficult to meet other residents because "you're not sure if they're students."

Many also said that the walk, which is five blocks from campus beyond Washington Circle, is a down-side. Although George McCullogh said, "I like the walk. That's not a problem," many students said the distance creates a problem when coming back to their hall late at night.

The University Police escort service is experiencing high demand from Aston residents, and most residents said they have used the service. Sheila Curtin, director of the Office of Residential Life, said the hall may be considered for inclusion on the route for the UPD

> shuttle bus, which circulates around the main campus.

"We were lucky to get a facility that nice so close to campus," Curtin said, adding that the rooms were "easily adaptable." Each double has desks and some wardrobes furnished by University, as well as cable television and some dishes in the kitchen provided by the hotel.

Some residents are so happy with the arrangements that they won't want to leave in May. "I'd live here all four years," Perlman said.

A day in the life of SJT

One student spends a typical day with the University president; he discusses his job. campus life, U.S. News rankings and hippos tap

BY JOANNA MARKELL HATCHET REPORTER

No average day exists in the life of a GW president, Stephen Joel Trachtenberg insists.

Certainly nothing stands still. Trachtenberg's day begins early and ends late. On Monday, Sept. 9, for example, it started with an 8.30 a.m. racquetball game in the Smith Center followed by a meeting with ARAMark Inc., lunch with GW law faculty and participation in a panel discussion to honor the installation of a new commissioner of Education Statistics at the National

Academy of Sciences at 2

"Have you seen our hippo v e t Trachtenberg asks a fan of the new GW wall inscription on Washington Circle. The two are socializing at the Department Education event, discussing improvements to GW's campus. "It's right near Lisner," he says, urging a visit.

Returning to campus, Trachtenberg spends nearly two hours catching up with office responsibilities and correspondence. In fact, he receives approximately 40 letters on a normal day, all of which he answers personally. After sorting through an imposing stack of letters, orders, requests, reports, articles and notes of congratulation, responses are dictated and sent

promptly on their way. From his eighth floor Rice Hall office, Trachtenberg keeps tabs on just about everything. This year's convocation ceremony at Boston University, possible GW alumni deserving of recognition and new grants that the University should consider are just a few examples of his relentless scrutiny of campus activities.

This particular week, administrators at Rice Hall were watching GW's placement in the latest U.S. News and World Report rankings. GW had previously been left out of the first tier, which made this year's ranking of 46th worthy of a different type of response.

"It doesn't behoove me to turn around and say that the editor of U.S. News and World Report is a

great American merely because will. they jumped us up into the top Hers 50," Trachtenberg says. "I think it's an elusive thing that they are Was trying to get a hold of.

"That said," he continues, "a lot want of people seem to read the U.S. favor News and World Report and take what they do seriously, and to that as W extent we have to be concerned and that they take that data to heart. So under those conditions, it's better for us to be well-regarded than here not to be well-regarded."

At 6 p.m., Trachtenberg is off to here a book signing/social event in northwest Washington followed by a dinner party for recipients of the

Bender fellow- club s h i p in D. Trachtenberg's from official day ends vious just short of 10 T-shi p.m. The rigorous schedule is degr normal, but the course of events know never fits into with any set pattern, and according Trachtenberg. "Today

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and direct executive response, Trachtenberg also takes a philosophical approach to the role of GW's administration. In terms of specific priorities, he says the administration holds the perspective that taking an integrated, holistic approach is one way to make the University better for students, staff and faculty.

"Students come here for an academic experience, but they're also living here, so you have to pay attention to residential and living conditions, you have to pay attention to dining conditions, you've got to pay attention to outof-classroom experiences whether they're in the city or on campus, whether they're athletic or social or whether they are extra-curricular," he says.

As Trachtenberg describes it. his is a job where the most mundane can become consequential. For every social event and public appearance, a follow-up letter will have to be written. In university life, he says, "new things come up all the time." What may seem like a daily mad dash on campus and off is really a more calculated affair. Every second counts.





taste for beer

BY MEREDITH GROSSMAN HATCHET STAFF WRITER

If the name Monument Ale doesn't trigger an image of Washington, D.C., then the 10-inch Opos tap handles in the shape of the Washington Monument certainly

And that's the goal of Steve Hersey and Jordan Miller, two GW think alumni who started the Washington Brewing Co., the District's newest microbrew. They "a lot want their beer to be the local U.S. favorite.

"We want to establish our beer as Washington's beer," Hersey said. "I'm proud to live in Washington, and I wanted our beer - the name and the label - to reflect that. Both my partner and I went to school here. We have very strong ties to D.C. We love it - that's why we're off to here.

Hersey, who graduated from GW in 1992, said he learned about the beer business through running a mail-order beer-of-the-month club last year. Miller, who grew up

in D.C. and graduated from GW in 1990, previously owned his own of 10 T-shirt printing busi-

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With bachelor's degrees in finance, they combined their knowledge of beer into with their business tern, and advertising skills create Washington Brewing

oday Co. It took four months for them to create the recipe, and they tasted more than 140 different beers during the process. Monument Ale, the company's first beer, has been available since mid-July.

The Washington Brewing Co. is classified as a microbrewery because it produces fewer than

15,000 barrels of beer per year. One barrel is the equivalent of two kegs. As is the process at most microbreweries, the ingredients of Monument Ale are stirred by hand.

Hersey said the four-step brewing process is simple: Grind up the barley malt, soak it in water, add yeast and add hops throughout the process. He described hops as a flower that gives beer its aroma and bitter flavor. The process takes

"It's basically like making tea," Hersey said. "You soak it and then you drink it. It's a little more complex than that, but that's basically

Monument Ale is made with Irish ale yeast and Kent Goldings, the most expensive hops in the world. Although the names of the company and the brands of beer are trademarked, Hersey said the Washington Brewing Co. does not trademark its recipes since it is practically impossible to replicate the exact taste of a beer.

"We're not trying to come up with some mainstream beer," he

said. "We want to come up with a beer that's a little different than what everyone else is

Hersey said the Washington Brewing Co. will offer two new styles of beer by the end of October. One, called Winter Warmer, will be similar to Monument Ale, but slightly less bitter and

with a touch of nutmeg and cinnamon. The second beer will be called American Pale Ale.

"Getting on tap at a bar is the hardest thing in the world," Hersey said. "They can always throw a bottle on the shelf, but tap bars only have a very limited number of tap lines. In order for them to put you on, they have to take someone else

Hersey said he and Miller spend weekends frequenting the bars that carry their beer in order to promote the beer and establish personal contact with the commu-

"We were one of the first restaurants to put the Monument on draft," said Nico Bourquin, a manager at Georgetown Seafood Grill, 3063 M St., N.W., which just started serving Monument Ale on tap this month. "It's less of a risk to take a new beer and put it in a bottle. We took the big step and took the draft. A lot of the staff loves it. They think it's great."

Tequila Grill, 1990 K St., N.W., which carried Monument Ale on tap for a month and now carries it in bottles, features \$2 bottles of Monument Ale on Wednesday

"The people who do drink it know we serve it here, and they usually come in just to drink that beer," said Chris Bamburg, the Tequila Grill's bar manager.

Hersey said having a local beer creates a sense of camaraderie in the community. They originally considered naming the company Rock Creek Brewing Co. or Georgetown Brewing Co., but after surveying local waiters and bartenders, they decided the names Washington Brewing Co. and Monument Ale best represented the local community.

"You can't identify with Washington any more than that," Hersey said. One of the bartenders they spoke with suggested the tap handles in the shape of the Washington Monument.

"(The tap handle) definitely catches your eye," Bourquin said. "Being a Georgetown restaurant, we get plenty of tourists in, and they really identify with the Monument. People get excited about it."



photo by Tyson Trish/Visuals Editor

GW alumni Jordan Miller (I.) and Steve Hersey (r.) now have their new Monument Ale on tap at Georgetown Seafood Grill.

Bamburg agreed.

When we did have it on tap, it got plenty of responses," he said. "People would just ask what it was just mainly because it was such a unique-looking tap handle. I would say that was a big selling point for

The initial capital to start the company was provided by family and private investors, Hersey said. Monument Ale is brewed in Norfolk, Va., and is available only in Maryland, Virginia and the District. Hersey and Miller are trying to raise almost \$2 million to build the company's brewery in the District, and their goal is to have the new brewery up and running by the end of next summer.

Miller said he never expected to be in the beer business. He said building his own company from scratch has been the best part of the whole experience.

"It gives me satisfaction when I see it grow and work," he said. "It's

Hersey credits his knowledge of the different styles of beer to the traveling he did overseas after graduating from GW.

"As much as I hate to say it, when I was at GW, I thought I was really cool because I drank Molson and Rolling Rock," he said. "I thought I was the coolest guy because I wasn't drinking Bud. But my eyes got opened.'

Hersey said one of the best parts of being in the beer business is attending beer festivals. He is looking forward to the International Wine and Beer Festival, which will be at Washington Harbor Sept. 28 and

"It's a fun business," Hersey said. "It's definitely hard work, and it's one of the most competitive businesses, but everyone in the beer industry supports each other. Everybody's always coming up with all these funky new styles of beer. Once you start getting into microbrews, you're hooked."



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Washington State U. fraternity goes upscale

(CPS) PULLMAN, Wash. – Forget toga parties. At Washington State University, the fraternity house drawing the most crowds this rush season is wired to the Internet and has a high-tech computer center.

The Phi Kappa Theta fraternity house, once condemned and razed because it was a fire hazard, has been rebuilt, rewired and redecorated — thanks to billionaire Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen.

Allen was a Phi Kappa Theta brother in the fraternity's old house 20 years ago before he dropped out of WSU to go into business with childhood pal Bill Gates.

In 1995, he bought the lot where the fraternity's stucco house once stood, and poured \$3.1 million into building a red brick house with an enormous number of amenities.

For starters, the fraternity's parking lot is equipped with an underground heating system to keep it ice-free during the harsh Washington winters. The house itself has central air conditioning, and each room has an individual climate control system.

Aside from all the computers, there's also a lighted outdoor basketball court, a built-in barbecue pit, a big-screen television and a pool table. The two-person rooms are twice as large as those in other fraternity houses.

Not that Allen forgot about the rest of Greek Row. He also gave WSU approximately \$300,000 to equip each of the 41 Greek houses with an Ethernet connection and 12-port computer hub.

The technology will link the houses to WSU's fiber-optic network, giving residents high-speed data connections to WSU's computer infrastructure and access to the Internet. Students living in WSU's dormitories are already on-line.

"The vision of connecting millions of people to a global network, for immediate access to information and resources anywhere in the world, is something I began thinking about when I was a student at Washington State," Allen said in a news release.

Phi Kappa Theta members report that the house has been packed not only with rushees, but also with people just in a rush to come see it.

The new house will be dedicated Sept. 28 by Allen and other fraternity members who worked on the project over the past two years.

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According to Cannaday, the applicants are in the top 10 percent of their class, have above a 3.0 GPA and score in the 1,100-1,200 SAT

GW receives more than 50 applicants before the committee selects finalists, Robinson said. The final recipients are then select-

ed through interviews.
"21st Century is an excellent program for D.C. public schools as well as GW," Cannaday said. "Students get a lot out of GW ... excellence in education and a commitment to community."

We want students in 21st Century to play a role at GW," Cannaday said. "Many have taken leadership positions.'

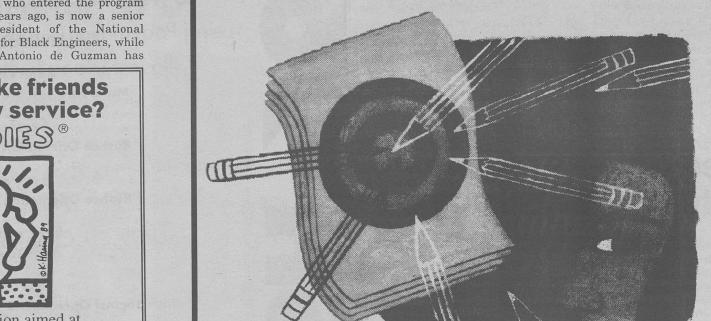
Rosa Ayers, one 21st Century Scholar who entered the program three years ago, is now a senior and president of the National Society for Black Engineers, while senior Antonio de Guzman has

worked closely at the University Teaching Center.

"I could have gone to any school," Ayers said. "Because of the scholarship, I decided to come to GW. The program is an excellent

Van Horne is a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School.

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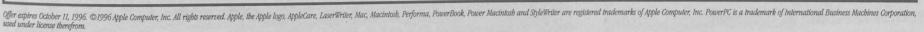
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University parties top huge state schools

(from p. 1)

Students hitting the books in Gelman library Saturday night seemed baffled by the ranking.

"Honestly, I was completely shocked. If this is the No. 2 party school, I want to know where all the parties are," said senior Mougeh Kowkabi. "I love it at GW – it's a good academic environment."

Though GW has "our share of

Though GW has "our share of parties," sophomore Jeff Gulko said GW can't begin to compete with the party frequency or ferocity of Southern schools with football teams.

"We're more of a big event school than a big party school," freshman Jenny Marcellino said, pointing to campus-wide programming as a major source of entertainment. She said GW's Foggy Bottom location is a party hindrance, compared to schools with isolated campuses. "If we had huge parties, we'd get nailed"

Junior Michael Laurino said the many area clubs are contributing to a party mystique. "If you're in a club, there's a pretty good chance that the people you see are GW students."

"This shows the accomplishment GW is making on all fronts – including scholarly attributes and social characteristics," Trachtenberg added.

GW was also listed under the "dorms like palaces," "most politically active," "diverse student body" and "great college towns" categories

Theology student caught with explosives on plane

(CPS) TAMPA, Fla. – A theology student was arrested last month after trying to board a plane with explosives, ammunition and weapons in his carry-on bag.

An airport security guard opened 21-year-old Roman Regman's bag and discovered two hand grenades, a 9mm pistol, about 180 rounds of ammunition, six military-style knives, five hand-made explosive devices and other materials, police said.

Regman held a ticket to Wilkes Barre-Scranton, Pa. He was set to start his third-year of study for priesthood in the Orthodox church at St. Tikhon's Seminary near Scranton.

Regman, who was charged with seven counts of carrying explosive devices, six counts of carrying weapons and one count of carrying a concealed firearm, insists that the materials were harmless.

"The things I had were not real ... they're used weapons. They were no good. The grenades are dead," Regman told a Florida television station from jail, where he is being held without bail.

Lt. Steve Marlovits, a spokesman for the Tampa airport police, said that was not true. "Everything was functional," he said.

The FBI told reporters that an investigation would focus on what Regman's motives were in attempting to pass the material through the security checkpoint. Seminary has described Regman as a quiet person who kept to himself.

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ESIA names Manning to head fundraising

The Elliott School of International Affairs has tapped the skills of alumnus Ross Manning to head the school's campaign to raise \$12 million – part of the University's Centuries Campaign goal of raising \$300 million by the year 2000.

Manning, who graduated from GW in 1969, is president of the North American division of Jaeger, an international clothing company.

"I owe a great deal of my personal and business success to the quality of my Elliott School education," Manning said in a press release. "Chairing the Elliott

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School's campaign effort is my way of thanking the University and ensuring that one of the country's best schools of international affairs realizes its full potential."

The Elliott School has already been able to raise 40 percent of its \$12 million goal. The \$12 million will be used to add additional professorships, graduate fellowships and for financial aid for GW students studying abroad.

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SPORTS

Volleyball mired in 7-game slump after rough weekend

BY ADAM WILLIS HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

The GW women's volleyball team lost two more matches this weekend, dropping the team's season record to 2-7.

William and Mary defeated the Colonial Women in a tough five-setter at Smith Center on Friday night, and the Terrapins of Maryland took care of GW in three games Saturday evening in College Park, Md.

The Colonial Women have improved over the season's first nine matches, but the team's youth and lack of playing experience is still apparent. GW has now dropped seven straight matches, including its first four home contests.

Maryland 3, GW 0

Maryland and Cole Field House were too much for the Colonial Women Saturday. The Lady Terps took control early and GW could not recover, falling 15-4, 15-5, 15-4.

The Colonial Women had only 24 kills on the match while committing 14 errors, compared to Maryland's 51 kills and 11 errors.

Anna Krimmel led the way with seven kills for GW, while Kate Haubenreich led the team in both digs and assists with six and 63,

14th-ranked water polo team splits 2 over weekend

BY JAMIE LIN HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

You need to have remarkable physical ability to be a good athlete, but to be a great athlete you need a high level of mental toughness as well. This mental toughness was the missing ingredient as the GW water polo team lost its first conference game Saturday, 14-7 to the Naval Academy.

Lacking the intensity they played with during their impressive victory over powerhouse Massachusetts Sept. 8, the Colonials called it quits prema-

"We went into the fourth quarter down by two and we played like we lost already," freshman Rush

When it comes down to mind games, Navy is one of the most proficient teams on the East Coast. Due to the youth of the GW team, lack of experience might still be a hindrance.

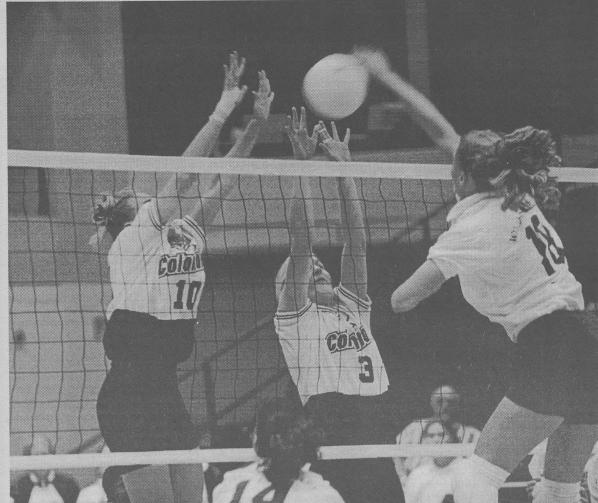
"Getting mentally tough comes with playing lots of games and working together as a team toward our ultimate goal of winning the Eastern Championships," Taylor said. "We are physically capable William & Mary 3, GW 2

The Colonial Women showed definitive signs of improvement at home Friday night, but a William and Mary rally in the fifth set was the difference as the Tribe came away with the victory, 14-16, 15-9, 15-13, 11-15, 17-15.

GW's penchant for gaining early advantages only to give them away continued in this match. The Colonial Women had five-point leads in each of the first four games only to see the Tribe come back to tie the score each time. Despite trailing in parts of all five games, GW refused to give in on game point.

The Colonial Women fought off a game point in the first before rallying to win. In the second, the Colonial Women denied the Tribe six game points before falling. It took William and Mary three tries to end the third game, and GW fought off three match points before finally submitting in the match's final

Crystal Akens had a career-high 29 kills for the Colonial Women and had just eight errors on 65 attempts. As a team, GW had a .220 hitting percentage, its season high. Akens also led the team with 20 digs while Haubenreich contributed 57 assists.



Colonial Women Kate Haubenreich (I.) and Theresa Ridder (r.) go up for a block against William and



Goalie Todd McConchie and the rest of the GW water polo team are currently ranked 14th in the nation.

and have the talent to play well, but there's still a lot of work to be

After chalking up a few more victories, the team should have increased confidence.

"This team being as young as it is, confidence is the most important factor," GW head coach Andy Turnage said.

In the second match of the day, the Colonials turned things around highest ever, surpassing last seawith a 9-7 win over Villanova, improving their overall record to 4-1. Although they were victorious, it was a half-hearted effort.

"We knew we had to win, but we should've beaten them more badly," guard Tony Paster said.

Despite the crucial loss to Navy, the Colonials are still extremely optimistic about the rest of the year. "We have a great season ahead, possibly the best season GW has ever had, and a good chance to make it to the NCAAs," freshman Bill Blackburn said.

This is especially true after the team was ranked 14th nationally in the most recent American Water Polo Coaches Association collegiate poll. As proof that the program is blossoming, the ranking is GW's son's high of 16th.

With the Villanova Wildcat Invitational coming up this weekend, GW will have another chance to demonstrate its abilities in the pool and increase its ranking as it faces 17th-ranked Queens College.

"Once we get more mentally focused we should be able to beat anybody," Paster said.

GW harriers run to top 10 finishes in first meet

Both teams improve against St. Joseph's

BY MATT BONESTEEL

The GW men's and women's cross-country teams put forth strong showings at this weekend's Fordham Invitational in the Bronx, N.Y., the first meet for both teams this year.

The men took third place at the meet, finishing behind Southern Methodist University and Yale. Fifteen teams and more than 150 runners raced in the men's portion

of the competition.

More importantly for GW, the team finished ahead of Atlantic 10 Conference foe St. Joseph's. Beating St. Joe's was something that we had never done before, GW head coach Greg Coan said. "Our goal this season is to win the A-10, and now we know that we can beat St. Joe's. We will see them again later this year, and they will get better."

Jason Weber's eighth place time of 26:41 was the fastest Colonial time of the day. He finished 1:04 behind the first-place finisher. "Jason ran awesome," Coan said.

GW's top five runners all finished in the top 50. Eric Brousseau was 12th with a time of 26:45, while John Hammond came in 25th place with a time of 27:14. Finishing right behind him with a time of 27:54 was Tim Assal, who ended up in 44th place. Dan Uriano clocked in with a time of 28:03, good enough for 47th place.

"We all did very well. Our top

five runners ran excellent races,"

The Colonial Women finished in fifth place overall, behind Harvard, SMU, St. Joseph's and Yale. The women's competition also featured 15 teams and 141 total runners.

Once again, Coan said he was happy with his team's performance against conference foes. We closed the gap with St. Joe's. It's an improvement over last

year," he said.
The GW combination of Lauren Edwards and Bridget Quenzer finished third and fourth, respectively. Edwards, who ended up only seven seconds behind the winner of the race, finished with a time of 18:38, while Quenzer posted a time of 18:52.

"Bridget ran a good race as a freshman," Coan said.

Other GW runners who ran strong races included Amanda Roebel, who completed the course in a time of 19:40 and 18th place; Jennifer Geiger, who clocked in with a time of 20:33 and 43rd place; and Mikki Hutt, who finished at 20:54 and 53rd place.

Next weekend, the Colonial teams stay close to home as they compete at the George Mason Invitational in Fairfax, Va. Many teams, including local Georgetown, James Madison and Mount St. Mary's will also be involved.

"It should be a good meet," Coan said. "We want to see how well we run against local teams."

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